

SHOWERS FAIL TO SPOIL EAST ENDERS' PICNIC

Annual Outing at Woodward's Grove Goes Damp for Second Time in 24 Years.

There's no rain making device successful as a picnic.

The sole exception is the annual farmers' picnic of the east end of Rock Island county at Woodward's grove above Port Byron. It has been rained out once by J. Pluv. in 24 consecutive years.

That is, up to yesterday. Yesterday made it twice in 24 outings, which still leaves the percentage remarkably good—for a picnic.

Not that yesterday's affair was spoiled by the wet. Not by a jugful, if that is a proper form of expression while prohibition rules. The doings took place just the same. Only difference was that there were not quite so many people, so those who were there had a better chance to get up to the popcorn wagon, to grab frequent rides on the merry-go-round and to get an unobstructed view of the baseball game and other athletic contests.

Showers came about noon when the people were gathering and repeated lightly during the afternoon, but were not heavy enough to saturate anybody. That is one of the boasts of the upper enders. Nobody ever did get saturated at one of their picnics.

Have Good Program.

The program was slightly curtailed, but there was enough to go around and it was good. Mrs. Mae Richards Casey of Rock Island sang and there were numbers by a jazz orchestra.

Congressman W. J. Graham was called upon for impromptu remarks to the women of the upper enders who had been assembled to hear about farm bureau work and declared himself for

women's rights, with no restriction. He expressed belief that prices will come down when government regulation ceases and the laws of supply and demand are allowed to have free play.

Mrs. Hada M. Carlson, Mrs. C. C. Bloom and Miss Mollie McKinstry, all of Moline, also spoke.

After lunch there were some field contests in which the winners were:

Fifty-yard race for boys under 12—W. Henyon, first; Merle Stewart, second; L. Handel, third.

Women's ball throwing contest—Won by Miss Hilda Broquist.

Girls' 50-yard race—Dorothy McGe, first; Nellie Miller, second; Lila Stewart, third.

Shotput—Merle Trowbridge, first; George Heible, second; Frank Bruner, third.

The windup was a baseball game, with the Zuma Sox pitted against Watertown. It was a clean, well played contest, with the visiting team getting the long end of a 4 to 2 score because of superior stick work.

Score by innings: R. H. E. Zuma000001100—2 4 3 Watertown .000201010—4 11 3

Batteries—Boston and Searl; Coder and Wood.

W. H. Ashdown of Port Byron is president of the picnic association and the committee which arranged the day's program was composed of W. H. Groh, John Schwenecker and Ed Shafer.

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